

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-16 are pending in the application, and that claims 1-16 are rejected. By this response, claims 1, 5, 6, 7, and 9 are amended and claims 2-4, 8, and 10-16 continue unamended. In view of the above amendments and the following discussion, Applicant submits that none of the claims now pending in the application are objectionable or in non-compliance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §112. Thus, Applicant believes that all of these claims are now in condition for allowance.

OBJECTION TO THE DRAWINGS

The Examiner objected to drawings, under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a). The Applicant has amended the claims as indicated above. The amendments to the claims add no new matter and are fully supported by the application as originally filed. As such, the Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the drawings.

OBJECTION TO THE SPECIFICATION

The Examiner objected to the abstract and to the detailed description. The Applicant has amended the abstract and detailed description as indicated above. These amendments add no new matter and are fully supported by the application as originally filed. As such, the Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the abstract and detailed description.

OBJECTION TO THE CLAIMS

The Examiner objected to the claims. The Applicant has amended the claims as indicated above. These amendments add no new matter and are fully supported by the application as originally filed. As such, the Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the claims.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §112

The Examiner rejected claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. The Applicant has amended the claims as indicated above. These amendments add no new matter and are fully supported by the application as originally filed. As such, the Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims.

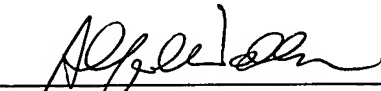
CONCLUSION

Thus, the Applicant submits that none of the claims presently in the application are objectionable or in non-compliance with 35 U.S.C. §112. Consequently, the Applicant believes that all claims are presently in condition for allowance. Again each of the references cited by the Examiner is designed for a specific purpose. However, none of the cited references either individually or in any reasonable combination addresses the problem that the Applicant's claimed invention solves. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Alfred Walker, Esq. at (631)-361-8737, so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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